



**Process Update Paper:
2015 amendments to information disclosure determinations for
electricity distribution and gas pipeline services
27 January 2015**

Purpose

1. The purpose of this paper is to notify interested persons of:
 - 1.1 our intention to consult on the revised drafting of the amendments to the information disclosure determinations for electricity distribution and gas pipeline services; and
 - 1.2 outline the indicative dates for:
 - 1.2.1 consultation on the revised drafting of the amendment determinations; and
 - 1.2.2 publication of the final amendment determinations.
2. The publication dates and timeframes are shown below.

Date	Publication or event
23 February 2015	Publication of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• technical consultation paper;• revised draft amendment determinations; and• revised draft templates.
6 March 2015	Due date for submissions on revised draft amendment determinations and templates.

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late March 2015	Publication of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • amendment determinations; • consolidated determinations; and • reasons paper.

Consultation on the revised drafting of the amendment determinations

3. This additional round of consultation has been included in the amendment process so interested parties can submit on the revised drafting of the determinations. Submitters on the consultation paper had requested the additional round of consultation for this purpose.¹
4. The technical consultation paper we publish alongside the revised versions of the determinations will set out the specific matters that are intended to be reflected in the revised draft amendment determinations. The technical consultation paper will invite interested persons to highlight any instances in which the revised draft amendment determinations do not reflect the list provided.
5. The revised draft amendment determinations will take into account submissions and cross-submissions on the earlier versions of the determinations.² The reasons for our final decisions are to be outlined in the reasons paper to be published alongside the final amendment determinations in late March 2015.

Date for publishing the final amendment determinations

6. To allow for consultation on the revised amendment determinations, the intended date for publishing the final amendment determinations has been extended until 24 March 2015.
7. The date for publishing the final amendment determinations reflects our intention to have the amendment determinations available prior to 31 March 2015, being the end of the disclosure year for electricity distribution businesses.

¹ Electricity Networks Association "Submission on the proposed amendments for 2015 to the information disclosure determination for electricity distribution services" (19 December 2014) at page 6 and PricewaterhouseCoopers "Submission to the Commerce Commission on Proposed amendments for 2015 to information disclosure determinations for electricity distribution and gas pipeline services" (19 December 2014) at page 7.

² Submissions and cross submissions can be found at <http://www.comcom.govt.nz/regulated-industries/electricity/electricity-information-disclosure/amendments-to-information-disclosure-requirements-2015/>.

8. To allow suppliers sufficient time to comply with the requirements, transitional provisions are being considered for the year-beginning disclosures for electricity distribution businesses, Powerco's gas distribution year-end disclosures, Vector's gas pipeline year-beginning disclosures and the new disclosure of errors requirements. Our decision and drafting of the transitional provisions will be available during the technical consultation.